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More reinforcements are being sent from Phnom Penh to the southwestern provincial capital at Kampot, which came under Khmer Communist attack over the weekend. At last report, the situation at Kampot appeared to be stabilizing as government air strikes and fire from Cambodian Navy patrol boats have caused a reduction in Communist pressure. In the Phnom Penh region, there was no significant military activity over the weekend. Government clearing operations south of the capital in the vicinity of Route 201 have gained no new ground. Northwest of the city, other government sweep operations continue to meet only minor resistance. A multi-battalion force has been dispatched to reopen a portion of Route 4 some 20 miles west of Phnom Penh, which was interdicted by the Communists on March 3.

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